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STEP-IN SNOWBOARD BINDING AND BOOT THEREFOR

AMENDMENT C AND RESPONSE

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TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

In response to the Office Action dated May 6, 2002, in the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows:

In the Claims:

Amend Claims 57, 58, 65, 68, and 69, as follows, cancel Claims 84-96, and add new Claims 97-102 below:

57. (Three Times Amended) A boot, comprising:

a forward lean system, comprising:

medial and lateral side cable members on the boot, wherein the cable members are attached to the forward portion of the boot at only one general position thereon; and

a tension adjustment member connected to the cable members for altering the length of said cable members, to provide more or less forward lean of the boot relative to a vertical line.

58. (Twice Amended) A boot according to Claim 57, wherein forward portions of said medial and lateral side cables attach to a forward portion of the boot on a location at a single side of the boot.

65. (Three Times Amended) A boot, comprising:

a forward lean system, comprising:

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